

1 AN ACT concerning fire safety.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
3 represented in the General Assembly:

4 Section 5. The Fire Protection District Act is amended
5 by adding Section 8.10 as follows:

6 (70 ILCS 705/8.10 new)

7 Sec. 8.10. Lock boxes. The board of trustees of any fire
8 protection district incorporated under this Act may, by
9 ordinance, require structures located within the jurisdiction
10 of the fire protection district to have installed on the
11 exterior of the structure a key lock box system that affords
12 safe and expedient ingress to the structure by the fire
13 department in the event of an emergency response to the
14 structure and that avoids unnecessary damage to the structure
15 associated with a forcible entry. The ordinance may
16 designate the types of structures required to have key lock
17 box systems and the type and location of exterior key lock
18 box systems. The district may adopt regulations concerning
19 the installation, maintenance, security, and use of key lock
20 box systems.

21 The ordinance must provide for a reasonable period of not
22 less than one year after the effective date of the ordinance
23 for existing structures to comply with the ordinance. Any
24 requirement that requires the installation of a key lock box
25 system on single-family structures may only be prospective in
26 effect. The ordinance must also provide that any required
27 system be one that is readily and economically available to
28 the property owners required to install the system.